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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Personnel Branch, DPD

SUBJECT: Extension of Tour of Duty

REFERENCE: Memorandum to DPD/C/SPB from  
DPD/C/PERS; subject: Notification  
of Expiration of Tour of Duty; dated  
7 August 1961 (DPD 4915-61)

1. It is recommended that Lt. Colonel Charles L. Murphy be extended for one year to allow for evaluation of requirements and adequate training of replacement.

2. The status of the over-all project through August 1963 is unknown. If, in the interim period, the requirement for a DPD representative is removed less confusion will exist in reassignment of Lt. Colonel Murphy than a new officer.

3. Since the assignment of a DPD representative on the West Coast his stature has changed appreciably. He is involved in the entire spectrum of satellite coordination including operations, development, and contractual matters. A minimum of six months overlap is considered necessary to fully qualify a new man in the program.

4. Lt. Colonel Murphy has indicated his desire for this extension.

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Chief, Special Projects Branch, DPD

NRO review(s) completed.

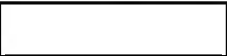
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